

REMARKS

Claims 1-55, 57 and 58 are now pending, with claims 1-3, 7-12, 15-31, 34, 36, 45, 57 and 58 under examination. Claims 1, 7, 15, 16, 21-24, 30, 31 and 36 have been amended, claim 56 has been canceled, and new claims 57 and 58 have been added, without prejudice, without admission, without surrender of subject matter, and without any intention of creating any estoppel as to equivalents.

No new matter is added.

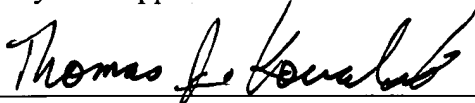
It is submitted that the claims, herewith and as originally presented, are patentably distinct over the prior art cited by the Examiner, and the originally-filed claims and the claims herewith are and were in full compliance with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. §112. The claims amended herein are not amended for purposes of patentability within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. §§§§ 101, 102, 103 or 112. Rather, the amendments to the claims are presented simply for clarification and to round out the scope of protection to which Applicants are entitled. Furthermore, it is explicitly stated that the herewith amendments should not give rise to any estoppel.

Applicants have herein changed the original election of species made in the Response filed August 21, 2002. Applicants hereby elect the claims of Group I, the species bovine, and the a combination of the antigens Cp15/60, bovine rotavirus, bovine coronavirus, *E. coli* K99 and *E. coli* F41. Accordingly, the claims listed as withdrawn on the enclosed amendment claim set has been updated accordingly.

An early and favorable examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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